

BRETHREN EVANGELIST

Ashland University

We report the receipt of apportionment from Indiana District. Elkhart class, per Mary A. Metzgar, Elkhart, Ind., \$52.50.

The Finance committee has set the 1st day of January for settlement with the creditors, and ask that all apportionment money be sent to the Finance committee as soon as possible, and ask that it be not delayed until that time, but that it be sent at once. Every remittance has a tendency to encourage the work. Now let us see who can report next week.

Yours fraternally,

JOHN KEIM.
Sec. A. U. F. Com.

Old Dominion

Our visit to the church at Terra Alta, W. Va., from the 6th to 18th instant proves to be profitable as well as pleasant, notwithstanding the rain snow and storm. We had two fair nights during the time, and for several nights rained out or snowed in. The immediate results, eleven added to the church roll, 8 by baptism, 3 by relation. \$50.00 for the College, \$5.50 for home mission, and 1 such for the paper, and my personal comfort and substantial aid was not lacking. This is our first visit to the W. Va. church Terra Alta. I am pleased with the prospect; a good work can be done in W. Va., if we can secure a good live preacher that is willing to have the dead bury the dead things of life and go out and preach a risen and personal Christ. Terra Alta has an altitude of 2700 feet here on the summit of the Alleghany mountain, the dividing line of the waters east and west.

A village of 1000 people are enjoying the clean and bracing air, which often time travels with the velocity of a blizzard.

If my life is spared until next summer I shall try that place in July or August. I now serve notice on our Maryland churches, that I will begin the College work in Hagerstown on the 15th of December. Be ready. make up your minds to help pull the load over the hill.

E. B. SHAVER.

Hudson, Iowa

In the absence of our pastor, E. L. Hildebrand, brother H. H. Coffman, of Chicago, was called to preach for us. He gave us very helpful, earnest and interesting talks. Brother Coffman certainly does his part toward awakening in his hearers a true missionary spirit.

He was with us a week and we believe all earnest seekers of the truth were benefitted by the meetings.

Hudson church does not often sleep and did not neglect her part of the work but gave Brother Coffman as a recompense some substantial help for himself, and the mission point in which he works. The meetings closed with a communion which was held, Sunday evening, November 14th instead of November the 7th as was previously announced. I believe this communion was

the most spiritual of any we have yet held. About 60 members participated.

The Holy Spirit was present and witnessed the scene. Hearts reconsecrated themselves to God bowing at Jesus' feet. Oh, may all who took part in this solemn service live more closely to the Master in days to come than they have in the past.

May we live under the Gospel of faith and redemption, through Christ, and not under the sins of the law with the unlifted curse of Satan. Gal. 3:13.

Hudson's apportionment for the College debt is lying in the Savings Bank awaiting a collector.

Yours in Christ's name.

MARY DIETZ.

Bible Convention

At Enon Church, Nov. 29 to Dec. 12.

DAILY PROGRAM

10:11 A. M.—Studies in the Life of Christ, Rev. Z. T. Livengood.

11:15-12 A. M.—Miscellaneous Work, Biblical Geography and History, etc.

1:30-2:15 P. M.—Studies in the Minor Prophets, J. L. Gillin.

2:30-3:15 P. M.—Studies in the Book; Queries, and Bible Readings.

7:30 P. M.—Sermon on the Bible and Its Doctrines, Rev. Z. T. Livengood.

You are invited to attend these sessions of Bible study. Bring Bible and note book.

J. L. GILLIN, Pastor.

Program Union Meeting

To be held at Nappanee, Ind., Jan. 1 and 2, 1898.

SATURDAY A. M.

10:00—Devotional exercises, led by Daniel Culp.

10:30—Opening address, Rev. A. B. Menaugh.

Response, Rev. Hazlett

11:00—Paper, What is Christian environment and its effects? Jessie Gardner

11:30—The power of past triumphs, Rev. Daniel Bripe

11:45—Are we doing our best? Alma Leslie

Query Box

SATURDAY P. M.

1:30—Devotional exercises, by Rev. Bremendefer

1:45—Paper, The difference between discussion and jangling, Mary Metzger

2:00—General discussion

2:15—Paper, Name the elements of a Christian and how manifest, H. J. Schrock

2:45—Written reports of churches and auxiliary societies

3:00—Paper, The Sunday School, Orville Himsbaugh

3:30—Experience Meeting
Adjournment.

4:00—Communion services.

SUNDAY A. M.

7:00—Praise service, led by Rev. Hazlett.

9:30—Sunday School.

1:00—Sermon, Rev. L. O. Hubbard

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6:00—K. C. Service.

7:00—Sermon, Rev. Hazlett

REV. L. O. HUBBARD,

MRS. DAISY RIGGLE,

MISS LINDA MAYSE,

MRS. J. A. RILEY,

Committee.

Matrimonial

WHISLER-McCONNELL.—Mr. Wm. E. Whisler and Clara Ethel McConnell, both of Appanoos, Iowa, were joined in marriage Nov. 10, 1897, by the writer at the home of the bride's parents.

Jos. Zook.

LAYLOR-FRIEND.—At the residence of John Spragins, Thursday November 18th brother D. E. Saylor, of Morrill, Kansas, and sister Lue L. Friend of Falls City, Nebraska were united in holy wedlock.

J. R. KELLER.

RETURN OF PROSPERITY

Extracts from an address delivered by Dr. Crane at Trinity church, Chicago Selected by Laura Slotter, North Ontario, California.

We are to have good times. But what good will it do, unless we learn the lesson that hard times tried to teach us? That lesson was the necessity for thrift, economy and frugality. If this prosperity we are trying to induce is prosperity with a capital P, if by it we mean recrudescence of the past era of extravagance, speculation and overdoing, then we want none of it. For such prosperity leads only to calamity again. There is no greater curse to a country than a time when every one is making abnormal profits and a whole population is fevered by the hope of growing suddenly rich. Real prosperity is of slow and cautious growth, in proportion as it is permanent.

Mankind is fond of hunting for profound and high-sounding reasons for its troubles, when the real causes lie in personal weakness and defects of character. How many deep theories have been advanced to explain our period of financial stringency! We have been told, with much exploiting of statistics and syllogisms, that the cause is the Wilson Bill, or the demonetization of silver, or the too rapid progress of invention, or the knavery of Wall street, or the effect of Populism, or this or that. Now, the actual common sense fact is that national hard times are due to the same thing that got the prodigal son into trouble—improvidence. A whole nation spending more than we earn, living beyond our means, doing a business unwarranted by the amount of our capital, constantly taking foolish risks, we come at last to the end of our rope, the riata tightens, we are hauled back to a cash basis by the irrefragable rules of arithmetic, we are compelled to pay our debts, which we do with loud ululation about the scarcity of money (money